

REPORT FOLLOW-UP

AGENCY: IDAHO BEAN COMMISSION

On December 9, 2005, the Legislative Services Office released an audit report for the Idaho Bean Commission for fiscal years 2004 and 2005. The Commission was contacted on February 28, 2006, and this follow-up report addresses how it has responded to the one finding and recommendation contained in that report.

STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

FINDING #1 – Some of the Commission's accounting and internal controls were inadequate. The Commission had five separate bank accounts. Utilizing multiple checking accounts creates errors and confusion, and is unnecessarily time consuming. The Commission also withdrew about \$40 to purchase office supplies, but was unable to supply documentation to support the purchases; recorded staff budgeted and actual travel expenditures as \$0 on one budget report, and as \$450 and \$560, respectively, on another budget report; and issued some checks with only one Commission officer's signature, instead of two signatures as required by Idaho Code.

We recommended that the Commission eliminate all but one checking account, use the accounting system to account for activities, and make other needed accounting and internal control improvements.

AUDIT FOLLOW-UP – The Commission has consolidated the checking accounts to a single account and implemented reconciliations and review procedures. It is also more fully utilizing its accounting system, and is working with the Idaho Legislature to change code sections requiring two signatures to a single signature.

STATUS – CLOSED